## Appendix A

## **American Association of Community Colleges (AACC)**

AACC is the primary advocacy organization for the nation's community colleges. The Association represents more than 1,100 associate degree-granting institutions and some 10 million students. Hundreds of community colleges use ITFS as a tool to increase access to higher education.

# American Association of School Administrators (AASA)

AASA is the professional organization for more than 14,000 educational leaders across the United States and Canada and in many other parts of the world. Founded in 1865, members of AASA include superintendents of schools and other central office administrators, building level administrators (principals), college and university administrators and professors, and administrators from other regional, state and national educational agencies.

### American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU)

AASCU is comprised of more than 426 public colleges, universities and systems of public higher education throughout the United States and its territories. These institutions enroll more than three million students, representing more than half of all students enrolled in public four-year institutions. In addition, AASCU members award 37 percent of the nation's bachelor's degrees, 28 percent of its master's degrees and 8 percent of all doctorates.

# American Association of University Women (AAUW)

Since 1881, with more than 100,000 members, 1,300 branches and 550 college/university partners, the AAUW has been the nation's leading voice promoting lifelong education, equity, and positive social change for women and girls.

#### **American Council on Education (ACE)**

ACE is the major voice in American higher education and serves as the focus for discussion and decision-making on higher education issues of national importance. An independent, nonprofit association founded in 1918, ACE represents approximately 1800 members from a substantial majority of colleges and universities in the United States. ACE seeks to foster high standards in higher education, believing a strong higher education system to be the cornerstone of a democratic society.

## **American Federation of Teachers (AFT)**

The American Federation of Teachers represents more than one million Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade teachers, support staff and paraprofessionals, higher education faculty, nurses and other healthcare workers, and state and local government employees. AFT's objective is to make high standards for achievement and conduct a reality for every public shool.

#### **Association of American Universities (AAU)**

AAU is an organization of research universities concerned with maintaining a vigorous system of academic research and education. It consists of sixty-one U.S. universities and two Canadian universities, divided about evenly between public and private. The primary purpose of AAU is to provide a forum for the development and implementation of institutional and national policies that promote strong programs in academic research, scholarship, and undergraduate, graduate, and professional education.

# **Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT)**

ACCT is a nonprofit educational organization of governing boards, representing more than 6,500 elected and appointed trustees who govern over 1,200 community, technical, and junior colleges in the United States, Canada, and England. These community professionals, public policy leaders, and leading citizens offer their time and talent to serve on the governing boards of this century's most innovative higher education institutions.

#### **Association of Educational Service Agencies (AESA)**

AESA is the national organization that represents over 520 educational service agencies throughout the United States. AESA serves as the voice for educational service agencies at the federal level and supports its members in the areas of learning, technical assistance, research and advocacy.

# The Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU)

AJCU represents twenty-eight insitutions of higher education in the U.S. and is affiliated with 90 international institutions. AJCU formed JesuitNET, one of the largest distance education consortiums for private institutions over five years ago. JesuitNET has been awarded a distinguished Distance Demonstration Project and a Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnership Grant Program from the Department of Education. JesuitNET continues to work on the delivery of competency-based distance education programs. In addition to JesuitNET, AJCU continues to lobby extensively on appropriations, budget, higher education authorization and tax issues

#### Association of Research Libraries (ARL)

ARL is a not-for-profit membership organization comprising the leading research libraries in North America. Its mission is to shape and influence forces affecting the future of research libraries in the process of scholarly communication. ARL programs and services promote equitable access to and effective use of recorded knowledge in support of teaching, research, scholarship, and community service.

#### California Community Colleges (CCC)

The CCC is a system of two-year public institutions, consisting of 108 colleges statewide organized into 72 districts, serving more than 2.9 million students, representing the largest system of higher education in the world.

#### **Central Dakota Telecommunications Consortium**

Central Dakota Telecommunications Consortium offers high school and dual credit courses to approximately 5,000 students in eight school districts in east central North

Dakota, using 12 channels.

## **Consortium for School Networking (COSN)**

CoSN is the premier K-12 education association whose mission is to promote how the Internet and telecommunications can improve learning. COSN's goals include supporting school leaders to ensure that information technology has a direct and positive impact on student learning, exploring the practical application of emerging technologies and demonstrating its use in the K-12 environment and establishing an effective national voice on key education technology issues.

### **Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO)**

CCSSO is a nationwide nonprofit organization composed of public officials who lead the departments responsible for elementary and secondary education in the United States, the U.S. extra-state jurisdictions, the District of Columbia, and the Department of Defense Education Activity. In representing the chief education officers, CCSSO works on behalf of the state agencies that serve pre-K–12 students throughout the nation.

# **Denver Public Schools (DPS)**

Widely recognized today as one of the best urban school systems in the country, Denver Public Schools (DPS) serves the residents of the City and County of Denver, Colorado. DPS provides instructional programming via ITFS to the districts' 72,168 students at 143 school sites and staff training to 17,187 employees. Classes for students include Spanish for teachers and students, French, science, social studies, math, art, and ELA for parents and students. Training for staff includes professional development for teachers, secretarial training, and principal information meetings.

#### **EDUCAUSE**

EDUCAUSE is a nonprofit association whose mission is to advance higher education by promoting the intelligent use of information technology. EDUCAUSE programs include professional development activities, print and electronic publications, strategic policy initiatives, research, awards for leadership and exemplary practices, and a wealth of online information services. The current membership comprises nearly 1,900 colleges, universities, and education organizations, including more than 180 corporations, and more than 13,000 active member representatives.

### Florida Community College System

The Florida Community College System consists of the 28 locally-governed community colleges in the state of Florida, which are coordinated under the jurisdiction of the Florida Board of Education. 15 Florida community colleges are ITFS licensees.

#### **Huntsville City Schools Educational Television**

Huntsville ETV offers a variety of scheduled television programs and broadcast related services to the Huntsville City School System in Alabama.

#### **International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)**

ISTE is the leading organization for educational technology professionals. Nonprofit and nonpartisan, ISTE works with members and partners worldwide to promote appropriate use of technology in K-12 classrooms, school administration and policy, and teacher preparation. ISTE publishes essential journals, books, and courseware, conducts professional development workshops, forums and symposia, and is a leading voice in educational technology policy and program evaluations.

# **Kirkwood Community College**

Kirkwood Community College is a comprehensive Arts & Sciences and Vocational Technical community college that serves a seven county area of 4300 sq miles in East Central Iowa. The area is mostly rural in nature. Kirkwood has an enrollment of 15,100 FTE students and also serves approximately 50,000 non-credit community education students each year. Through the use of Distance Learning, which includes the use of ITFS, Kirkwood serves approximately 3500 credit class registrations per semester.

#### KRCB Television, Santa Rosa, California

KRCB Television is a PBS affiliate serving the northern San Francisco Bay area counties on Sonoma, Napa, and Marin counties, with some carriage into the Greater Bay area. The station, with its sister station, KRCB FM, provides educational and non-commercial programming to its community.

### National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE)

NABSE, a 6,000-member organization, is the nation's premier organization of distinguished educators dedicated to improving the educational accomplishments of African American youth through the development and deployment of instructional and motivational methods, which increase levels of inspiration, attendance and overall achievement.

### **National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)**

NAIS, governed by a board of trustees and staffed by approximately 40 individuals, is a membership organization and the national voice of independent education. It represents nearly 1,200 U.S. independent schools, including day, boarding, and day/boarding schools; elementary and secondary schools; boys', girls', and coeducational schools. NAIS offers a variety of products and services to member schools and associations.

#### National Association of State Universities & Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC)

Founded in 1887, NASULGC is the nation's oldest higher education association. A voluntary association of public universities, land-grant institutions and many of the nation's public university systems, NASULGC campuses are located in all 50 states, the U.S. territories and the District of Columbia. The association's membership includes 212 institutions, enrolling more than 3.1 million students. Building on its early heritage of agriculture, science and engineering, NASULGC's 21<sup>st</sup> century mission is to support high-quality public higher education across all disciplines in service to the development of America's greatest resource – its people.

#### **National Education Association (NEA)**

The National Education Association is the nation's largest professional employee organization, representing 2.7 million elementary and secondary teachers, higher education faculty, education support professionals, school administrators, retried educators, and students preparing to become members. In order to fulfill the promise of a democratic society, the National Education Association's mission is to promote the cause of quality public education and advance the profession of education; expand the rights and further the interest of educational employees; and advocate human, civil, and economic rights for all.

### **National Education Knowledge Industry Association (NEKIA)**

NEKIA is a nonpartisan trade association whose mission is to promote-research based knowledge and its effective use with all learners. Created in 1997, its members include the foremost for-profit and nonprofit education research, development, and dissemination institutions, including national research centers, regional educational laboratories, education media and technology companies, public television developers, national clearinghouses, and technical assistance providers.

### **National Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**

National PTA is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association of volunteers who seek to unite home, school, and community in promoting the education, health, and safety of children and families. National PTA represents 6.2 million parents, teachers, students, and other child advocates, through 26,000 local units in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands and at the Department of Defense dependent schools in Europe and the Pacific region. Founded in 1897, National PTA is the oldest and largest national advocacy organization working exclusively on behalf of children and youth.

#### National Rural Education Association (NREA)

NREA is comprise of rural school administrators, teachers, board members, regional service agency directors, university faculty, state and federal agency personnel, researchers, business and industry representatives, and others interested in maintaining the vitality of rural schools across the country.

### **North Carolina Community Colleges**

North Carolina Community Colleges enroll more than 800,000 students in their 59 institutions each year and the system is the primary agency for delivery of job training, literacy and adult education throughout the state.

#### **Rural School and Community Trust**

The Rural School and Community Trust (Rural Trust) is the premier national nonprofit organization addressing the crucial relationship between good schools and thriving rural communities. Working in some of the poorest, most challenging rural places, the Rural Trust involves young people in learning linked to their communities, improves the quality of teaching and school leadership, advocates for appropriate state educational policies, and addresses the critical issue of funding for rural schools.

The National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO) NACUBO represents chief financial officers at 2,200 colleges and universities. The association promotes sound financial management and administration of institutions of higher education.

# **United States Distance Learning Association (USDLA)**

United States Distance Learning Association is a non-profit association formed in 1987. The association's purpose is to promote the development and application of distance learning for education and training. The constituents we serve include Pre-K through Grade 12 education, higher education, home school education, continuing education, corporate training, military and government training, and telehealth.

# **University Continuing Education Association (UCEA)**

UCEA, the principal U.S. organization for continuing higher education, assists institutions of higher learning and affiliated nonprofit organizations to increase access through a wide array of educational programs and services. UCEA also provides national leadership in support of policies that advance workforce and professional development. Since its inception in 1915, UCEA has been committed to making higher education available to everyone, as well as to ensure that programs and services address societal needs and economic trends. In addition, UCEA works with counterparts abroad to foster professional exchange and better international understanding of continuing higher education.